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# Most Students Would Use Health Services

By NATALIE JOY

A health services survey was conducted by the student government the beginning of March. 645 students answered the questionnaire. The majority of students (453 or 82 per cent) answered "yes" they would make use of a health services facility at the college if one were provided. Ninety-nine (18 per cent) answered no.

To deteremine the specific needs of a health service at the College, questions were asked concerning what kind of health insurance and coverage does one have, who pays the difficulties premiums, obtaining medical and dental services, if one had a personal physician, and action one would take if he became ill or injured. Answers to the question,

"What health insurance do you have?", are as follows:

School insurance: Plan A (\$2.50) 384 (58 per cent), Plan B (\$15.00) 46 (7 per cent), Plan C (\$30.00) 90 (14 per cent).

Other commercial insurance (Aetna, John Hancock, etc.) 154 (23 per cent), Workmen's Compensation 42 (6 per cent), Blue Cross-Blue Shield: Group 148 (23 per cent) Individual 152 (23 per cent), Medicare (U.S. Government sponsored) 8 (one per cent). Medicaid (Common-wealth of Massachusetts sponsored) 15 (2 per cent), None 88 (13 per cent). Don't know 89 (13 per cent.)

If you have health insurance other than through G.C.C. (Plan A, B, C) what coverage does it include?

Doctor 196, Dentist Emergency room 225, Out 115, patient-clinic service Hospitalization costs 256, Don't know 190.

Every student has Plan A school health insurance, but only 58 per cent of the students answered that they had it. This could be because the payment is included in the bill for tuition and student activities fee. The survey revealed a majority of students are negligent concerning health insurance. negligent Eighty-nine students (13 per cent) answered that they did not know if they had any health insurance and 190 students who answered that they had some kind of health insurance, did not know what kind of coverage they had.

Three hundred and two students had answered that

their parents were paying the premiums.

This probably accounts for such a high percentage of students not knowing if they have any health insurance or not and not knowing what their health insurance covers.

The majority of students (417, 65 per cent) answered that they were under 21 years old. These students are probably receiving a good part of their support from their parents. Therefore the responsibility of having adequate health insurance has not been made aware to them.

The statics conclude that one function of a health service at G.C.C. would be to make the student more aware of the need for adequate health insurance. Medical, dental, and hospital bills are extremely expensive.

An expense most people cannot afford, let alone the average student at G.C.C.

In determining the extent of difficulties in obtaining medical and dental services in the area, the questions were asked, "Since becoming a student at G.C.C., have you experienced difficulty in obtaining either of the below named services?

Medical: yes 60 (11 per cent) no 483 (89 per cent)

Dental: yes, 48 (9 per cent) no 477 (91 per cent)

Do you have physician and-or dentist readily available to you during your attendance at G.C.C.?

Physician: yes 361 (64 per cent) no 203 (36 per cent)

Dentist: yes 358 (64 per cent) no 205 (36 per cent)

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#### **Top Students** To Be Honored

The College's top students will be recognized Monday evening at the tenth annual honors convivium to be held at the Carriage House of the Northfield Inn at 6:30.

Featured speaker for the evening will be the Hon. Alastair G. Maitland, C.B.E., speaker for Counsul-General Boston. Before assuming this important diplomatic post, Maitland was director-general the British Trade Development Office in New

Maitland was born in 1916. He attended the universities of Edinburgh (Master of Arts, 1937). Grenoble and Paris. He joined the British Diplomatic Service in 1938. He has held various appointments in London and has served at Ottawa, Cairo, Paris (as a member of the British Delegation to the Organization for European Economic Cooperation) and Jerusalem. He has also spent considerable time in the United States, having served at different periods in Chicago, Los Angeles, New Orleans and Cleveland, as well as New York.

Maitland is married to the former Betty Hamilton of Canada. They have children, a son at Columbia University, a second son now resident in Montreal and a daughter at Boston

Invitations to the Honors Convivium have been extended to those students currently on the Dean's List who have completed at least 30 credits at the College and who are currently enrolled full-time or are enrolled part-time but expect to graduate this June.

The students are:

Joseph L. Annello, Nahid Bahramsoltani Joseph L. Annello, Nahid Bahramsoitani, Stephen E. Belliveau, Nelson Bernard, Mary A. Bocon, Larry B. Bourret, Maryjane Breault, Keith W. Brinkerhoff, Barbara A. Bulman, Brian M. Bulman, Robert L. Call, Carol A. Carr, Jean A. Cetto, Maureen Clapp, Lynne K. Clark, Paul F. Clark, Alan G. Clough, Anne M.

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR march up Federal St. to protest the escalation of the air war in Vietnam. About 75, including GCC students, joined them. -Forumfoto



VIETNAM WAR PROTESTORS carry a flag draped coffin by the College on their way to Vet's Field to hold a peaceful demonstration. -Forumfoto

## Student Anti-War Demonstration

Students joined Veterans Against the War last Monday in a demonstration march through Greenfield.

Between 50 and 75 persons marched from in back of the Franklin County Courthouse along Main St. to Federal St. and then to Vet's Field where Larry Tower, a Vietnam veteran and march organizer, told the group that taxpayers were paying the profits being reaped by war industry corpora-

g o ver nment president Rod Raubeson told demonstrators that civil dissenters could work to end the war. Raubeson was twice arrested last week in an attempt by anti-war demonstrators to block demonstrators to block entrances to Westover Air Force Base in Chicopee.

As the students and veterans marched up Federal St., they were joined by several private citizens in sympathy with the peace movement. Schilling, candidate for student government president, passed out flyers to motorists and passers by.

Commenting on the parade, Greenfield police chief Donald

Grogan said, "Whether you agree with them or not, you have to admit they behaved themselves properly."

A week ago Greenfield Community College students joined other area collegians in a demonstration against the air war in Vietnam. Many students boycotted classes, and as an alternative to scheduled classes attended various workshops held at the school. Although the all-encompassing strike proposed by student government president Rod Raubeson and approved by vote of that body did not materialize disobedience was one way as hoped, the workshops proved to be very beneficial for those attending.

A number of students took A number of students took advantage of this boycott to spend a day at home, but approximately 70 turned out at 10:00 A.M. for the first workshop on the war, a presentation tracing the history of western involvement in Vietnam. Presented by a member of the social science department, this program covered the period of French dominance up through world War II to President Diem and the present. This was followed by a march to the

main campus, by way of Main St. led by members of the Bread & Puppet theatre group.

Workshops were held throughout the day on the airwar by students. A speaker from Spark newspaper, a Northampton based publication, urged the students to organize and inform the community, stressing the economic aspects of the war in terms of what it means to their pocketbook.

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## Schilling **Elected**

Bob Schilling has won the election for president of the student government by a nearly 3 to 1 margin over his only announced rival, Joanne Santos. Of the 213 votes cast in yesterday's election, Schilling received 149 and Miss Santos 53. There were 11 write-

The day was capped with a talk by Democratic senatorial hopeful. George Sommaripa, who advocates a total withdrawal of troops from Vietnam. He also spoke out in favor of a guaranteed income for all Americans and against the large corporate monopolies in country, proposing sweeping tax reform programs eliminating all income tax

#### Bill Baird To Speak Tuesday

Birth control and abortion advocate Bill Baird will speak at the College Tuesday, May 9 at 8:00 p.m. in the Main Building Auditorium.

Popular on college campuses throughout the nation, Baird has appeared on such national TV shows as NBC's TODAY Show, the Dick Cavett Show and the Mike Douglas Show. He has also appeared on the APR-TV production, Do You Own Your Body?

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## THE FORUM

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## A Sprung Spring

Spring has finally arrived after an unusually mild but nevertheless lengthy winter. And consistent with years past, a majority of the student's attentions turn to things other than school. Among the diversions we indulge ourselves in are: political activism, job searching, and a general reawakening of our senses, which have been dulled by the winter months.

For the politically active students, much of the storedup energy is being released through participation in various political activities. Being an election year, and being a spring that has seen a major escalation of the Indo-China War, we find these activities to be widespread. For all this we can thank His Lordship, who will never really know how much we appreciate it until November when he becomes a part of the 6% unemployed deemed necessary to keep our economy stable.

Looking for a summer job? Unless you possess a particular skill or unless you already have a job that will continue into the summer, your chances of finding anything are very slim. To many of us, summer jobs are a necessary evil whose sole purpose is to allow us to make enough money in order to return to school in the fall. At that time we will once again become involved in lengthy rap sessions discussing the relevancy of our educational system. But we will be back.

For some the bleak job market provides a valid excuse for packing our bags and setting off to enjoy a summer of travel and leisure, making our way as best we can. For others who are successful in finding jobs and who will decide to stay in the area, the prevailing attitude of living-for-weekends will continue through the summer, broken only by occasional trips to the beach and get togethers with friends not seen since semester break.

Putting away the winter clothes, getting the motorcycle on the road, seeing the trees bud and the flowers bloom, lying on a grassy knoll, you can almost smell spring. These are some of the things that make this season the most enjoyable time of year, especially in New

#### Convivium--

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Susan C. Fifield, Kathryn J. Florek,
Harold R. Frederick, Samuel F.
Gagliardi, Joseph W. Gagner, Karen J.
Gallerani, Laurance D. Garland, Barbara M.
Gauthier, John P. Girard, Barbara M.
Gochinski, Timothy J. Goodwin, David A.
Grader, Donna M. Hall, Nancy K. Hall,
James D. Hawkins, Leslie C. Holmes,
Maureen K. Horrigan, Bridgette F. Maureen K. Horrigan, Bridgette E. Howard, Majid Jafarnia, Keith Jenkins, Michael D. Jenkins, Laurel A. Johnson, Joseph Kolodziej, Daniel M. Kuzmeskus, Joseph Kolodziej, Daniel M. Kuzmeskus, Claire H. Lagoy, Robert Lampron, Barbara L. Lawrence, Kathryn A. Lebert, Marianne R. Leh, Ralph S. Loomis, Gail J. Lynde, David J. MacCarrol, Douglas John MacLeay, Nancy L. MacLeay, Richard A. Merritt, Raymond Miner, Jo Ann B. Mitzkovitz, Dennis P. Murphy, Peter A. Murphy, Christine Musante, Margaret Newton, Cynthia J. Palmer, Georgine T. Murphy, Christine Musante, Margaret Newton, Cynthia J. Palmer, Georgine T Paulin, Fred H. Pazmino, David R. Perry Steven W. Porter, John C. Potter, Linda H Putnam, Margery A. Reuben, Kenneth Rewa, Paul C. Rich, Robert L. Rineer, Elaine M. Rogers, Joseph R. Roy, Jerry S. Scott, Leroy C. Seeds, Christine Serrentino, Thomas E. Shippee, Roxanne Shulda, Jean Shumway, Loren Shumway, Samuel C. Skillings, Robert M. Stafursky. Jean Shumway, Loren Shumway, Samuel C. Skillings, Robert M. Stafursky, Beatrice St. Clair, Karen P. Strom. Elizabeth P. Symanski, Dawn L. Tenney, Thomas R. Thompson, Jayne Tozloski, Robert S. Varady, Craig R. Wallwork, Carol J. Wapner, Corinne J. Warner, Kathryn M. Waryas, Jeffrey A. Webster, Ronald Wichowski, David F. Willey, Kristine M. Zalot, Annmarie H. Zaniewski, William G. Zink.

#### **Insurance Plan Available Now**

Eight to ten students inquired about and made application for the new savings bank life plan insurance being introduced to meet the needs of college students, according to Dean of Administration Robert W. Gailey.

In a memo to students and their families, Gailey said, cost and has many desirable features which are described in brochure available to students. It would be in your best interest to read this brochure carefully and to consider enrolling in the Savings Bank Life Insurance Plan.

Henry M. Spatz, instructor from the Massachusetts Division of Savings Bank Life Insurance visited the College on Thursday, April 27. He explained the new S.B.L.I. Student Insurance Plan and assisted those who wished to complete application forms.

CHANGE IN GRADING POLICY

We have had much discussion and study of our present grading system. The Academic Standards Committee has recommended dropping the "F" and having no record and no credit. The faculty has voted in favor of eliminating the "F" but by a very narrow margin. This indicated to me that many faculty felt the "F" was a desirable grade and could function better with it. Out of concern for all, the following policy will become effective as early as administrative machinery will permit:

New Policy:

The grade of "F" will continue to be given and appear on the record; however, it will not be figured in determining the cumulative grade average. I am asking the Academic Standards Committee to further study the relationship of our grading practices to our instructional program so that further modifications may take place when appropriate.

#### A PLAN FOR ADVISING STUDENTS

We have also had many meetings and long discussions concerning our plan for advising students. Committees have been at work, conferences have been held and many points of view have been shared. Although we have not reached complete agreement among all parties concerned, I find that a decision must be made. Therefore, the following policy and procedures will govern our advising program until further notice:

New Ruling

(1) Establishment of an advising committee composed of division chairmen, Mr. Stuart, Dr. Welsh, Mr. Doscher and Mr. Keir. Mr. Keir will serve as chairman and will be responsible to me for the delivery of effective advising to our students.

It is expected that advising will take place in a cooperative fashion; that the Dean of Faculty, the counselors and all faculty and staff members will cooperate in helping Greenfield Community College to develop a greater degree of excellence in its service to students.

#### Former Prof. Starts School

By MIKE AGUDA The free school, public alternative to our educational system, is a fairly recent phenomena which has been receiving opposition in communities, namely some

Warwick, Massachusetts.

The proposal for a free school in this area was conceived over a year ago by a group of concerned individuals under the direction of Ms. Beth Backman, former faculty member at Greenfield Community College. The creation of A Place to Grow stemmed from a genuine and justifiable concern that the public educational system was rather hindering furthering the development of the children it serves

The philosophy of the school is very basic, focusing on the growth of the children; intellectually, creatively, and emotionally. The individuals interests and needs are the basis for the curriculum, which includes numerous field trips and direct participation in becoming aware of various skills and concepts. Through broadening the students horizons in varying learning situations the student is given many alternatives to choose from and herein lies the responsibility of the teacher in making the choices available to

A list of objectives, by no means complete, is as follows: 1) To develop both creative and critical thinking processes, 2) To develop skills in both forming and dealing with interpersonal relationships, 3) To develop communitive skills, 4) To continue the ongoing process of developing and internalizing values, drawing on the internal resources of the individual for evaluation and integration.

The subject areas offered are similiar, with exceptions, to the curriculum being offered in the public schools; the major difference being the means and methods which students become involved in these subjects. With the motivational factor resting with the individual, in terms of his own interests and goals with guidance from the teacher, the student is not required to study specific subjects at specified times. Emphasis is on group and individual projects and field trips which coordinated through the teacher. With a self-directed learning environment the child will be able to grow intellectually, creatively, and emotionally becoming very flexible in his ability to handle the increased amount of stimuli that he will face.

For all those interested in gaining more insight into the free school concept a film 'Children as People' narrated by John Holt will be shown May 10, 7:30 p.m. in the Greenfield Community College auditorium with a discussion on the free school movement following the film. A donation of \$1.50 is being requested.



BILL BAIRD

#### Baird--

(Continued From Page One) Baird left a career as clinical director of a national birthcontrol pharmaceutical manufacturer to help lead the fight for women's rights to control their own bodies. He founded Parents Aid Society, a non-profit birth control, abortion and narcotic center, and was appointed advisor to the New York Senate the New York Senate Subcommittee on Health and Mental Health. He has also served as advisor on birth control to New Jersey legislators. In 1964 he established the first abortion referral clinic in New York and directs a birth control and abortion center in Hempstead, Long Island. Long Island.

Baird has been jailed seven times for his stand on birth control and abortion and faced 10-year jail sentence in Massachusetts for displaying contraceptives at Boston University in a 1967 lecture in violation of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 272.

#### Health--

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students have had difficulty in obtaining medical or dental services. This could be because the majority of students have had no need to obtain any medical or dental services. 64 per cent of the students answered that they had a personal physician and-or dentist readily available to them while attending G.C.C. A great part of this result could be because 62 per cent had answered that they were living at home while attending G.C.C.

When asked, "If you were to become ill or injured what action would you take to remedy the situation?", students answered as follows:

Personal physician 355 (63 per cent)
Physician referred to you by

friend 44 (8 per cent)

Physician picked from phone book 18 (3 per cent) Get in touch with College

staff member 9 (1 per cent) Go to the emergency room 77

(14 per cent) Do nothing until absolutely

necessary 61 (11 per cent) ersonal dentist 375 (67 cent)

Dentist referred to you by a friend 55 (10 per cent) Dentist picked from phone

book 31 (6 per cent) Get in touch with College staff member 15 (3 per cent)

Go to the emergency room 19

(3 per cent) Do nothing until absolutely necessary 61 (11 per cent)"

Conclusions from the answers given would suggest that 37 per cent of the students who answered the questions other than personal physician and 33 per cent, who answered questions other than personal dentist would probably have trouble in obtaining medical and-or dental services.



Recreation Leadership instructor Larry Buell plots the next leg of the trek with Mrs. Adel Schofield and an unidentified youth on last Saturday's weekend workshop in backpacking. The event is one of a series of weekends designed to help develop recreational skills being sponsored by the Division of Community Services. Participants spent the weekend hiking in the Petersham area. —Forumfoto

### Science Students On Field Trip

You can always tell when spring has come to the College: sallow students spread their books out in the sun and dream of the endless summer to come; sandals and mini-skirts reappear after their long hibernation; there's talk of b a s e b a l l and student demonstrations. And the

#### Project Link-age Seeks Helpers

More student volunteers are needed for Project Link-age which is concerned with lonely elderly citizens in Greenfield. From a list of approximately 800, student volunteers are attempting to identify senior citizens, residing alone, who would appreciate the occasional company of a young person.

According to coordinator Tom King, students currently working on the Project are enthused by the reception they get. "They refute the existence of a generation gap," says 'and are universal in their observations that the younger generation's manner of dress and length of hair do not turn off the elderly. Of more import to the receptive elderly is the opportunity to visit and rap with the younger set. Students are fascinated with the breadth and depth of the knowledge and experience of the elderly they are visiting.

"As a by-product of the contacts with the seniors, it is hoped that their interests and needs can be identified. Then through the division of community services programs for the elderly would be developed utilizing the human and physical resources of the College. These would supplement programs currently provided by other agencies in the community."

Students interested in working with Project Link-age may contact Tom King, project coordinator at the campus center, west building from 12 to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday or from 11 to 12:30 p.m. on any Tuesday or Thursday.

science people start taking their field trips.

Field trips are what it's all about, according to oceanography instructor Richard Little. During the winter, Little and his students huddled around a homemade wave-making machine in the under-the-eaves garrett that serves Little as an oceanography lab, studying the effects of water and wind on the coast line. But last weekend he and his students spent two days on the Massachusetts and New Hampshire coast taking a first-hand look at the ocean.

Thirty-five students took the field trip with Little.

Geology students took one of their annual field trips last Friday in the Helderberg Mountains, thirty miles southeast of Albany, New York. The Helderberg Mountains are world renowned for their 350 million year old Devonian rocks. "The area is a playground for geologists and is the type of location where many fossils of the Devonian Age are found."

The students methodically inspected the ancient sea bottom sediments at some six of which locations. each represents a particular phase in the regions geological history. They will sample ancient algal and coral reefs, deltaic sediments and a blanket sand of what was once a newly forming beach. Each student was expected to make a collection of 15 different fossils which were brought back to the laboratory for detailed taxonomic study.

Assisting Dr. Johansson on this field trip was Donald Caven, former Franklin County Planner and now a member of the Environmental Science faculty.

A group of students in WMPIRG from the universities and colleges in Western Massachusetts went to Washington over spring vacation to obtain endorsements from Massachusetts's senators and representatives.

# Community Services Helps High School Dropouts

By SHARMAN PROUTY

Since community services is an integral part of the Greenfield Community College program, we are now offering the GED Testing Program. GED stands for General Educational Development, an exam consisting of five parts.

The primary use of the five tests is to appraise the educational development of adults who have not completed their high school education for a variety of reasons. It is sponsored by the

Massachusetts Department of Education for those over 19 who have been out of school for a year but who did not graduate.

The five exams are given in the areas of math, science, social studies, grammar, and literature. Greenfield Community College is a testing center for this program and also provides preparatory courses to help applicants pass the test. Currently, there are six prepclasses going on in area towns. Approximately 80 per cent of all people taking the exam pass it.

Through achievement of satisfactory scores on the tests, adults may earn a high school equivalency certificate; qualify for admission to college or, in general, for admission to more advanced ed u cational opportunities; meet educational requirements for employment or promotion in a job; satisfy educational qualifications for induction into the Armed Forces of the United States; and meet regulations of state and local boards of licensing examiners for admission to examinations licensing those occupations requiring educational competence at the ninth, tenth, or eleventh-grade level.

Many of the Army's service schools now require a high school diploma as an entrance requirement; some enlistees have not completed high school. lieu of a high school diploma, the Army will accept the test scores of the high school equivalency certificate program. Recruits from all over the state are sent to Greenfield to take the exams. Sixty-two have passed in the last three months and have been admitted to Army service schools.

members of Three Greenfield Community College staff have been awarded certificates of appreciation by the Army. They are: Mrs. Raylee Cohen, Mrs. Ethel Case, and President Lewis Turner. The certificates were presented on March 16 by Captain George Skypeck, who represented the commanding officer of the Army's main recruiting station in Boston. The awards were made in recognition of the work done by Greenfield Community College for young persons about to enlist in the Army.

I recently had the opportunity to attend one of the GED classes taught during the evening. The class was held in Orange; the teacher was Mrs. Arthur Shaw. It was held on a Tuesday evening, and ran from 7:30-9:30. Normally, there are eight people in the class. However, this night only 3 people were in the class, two people are taking the course at home.

There are no attendance requirements for the course, so class participation is up to the individual. The class atmosphere is very informal, and the teacher and students sit

around two card tables which have been pushed together.

Dress consists of jeans and sweatshirts, and there is a Snoopy and Charlie Brown banner above the table which reads: "I have a feeling that a crisis has arisen." The bright red banner is the only color in the room, which is painted a dull green. At 8:30 everyone takes a break for "coffee and gossip".

The classes are held in the Orange Opportunity Office, a branch of the Office of Economic Opportunity. The course normally lasts for twenty weeks; the Orange class is in its fifteenth week.

Currently, the participants are studying U.S. history and social studies, generally study ten pages a night. Mrs. Shaw reviewed a list of important terms for the chapter and then had each person read two of the terms from their textbook. She asked them questions as they went along; they then completed an exercise in the back of the chapter which consisted of twenty multiple-choice questions.

The terms for the night were: amendment, cabinet, the rather infamous CIA, conservative, Fair Deal, New Deal, ratify, and veto. The exercises in the book have the answers in the back, to help the people study for their exam.

There was no formal announcement of the course

social studies; geography with maps, world history and United States history. Mathematics; arithmetic, fractions, graphs, algebra, geometry, and set theory, and the natural sciences; biology, chemistry, physics, and earth science comprise the third section of the text.

The last part consists of a simulated GED test. Each section contains a list of important terms with definitions, multiple-choice questions with answers, and readings to gain general knowledge of the subject.

The entire course is very loosely structured. Participants may enter at any time, and they may study at home on their own. "We try to accommodate everyone", says Mrs. Shaw. The GED is a state exam, and to prepare for it the applicant must do the exercises in the chapter that he is studying. He then studies at home, and takes the Simulated GED. If he gets a good score on it, he may make an appointment at Greenfield Community College to take the exam. After he has passed the exam, credit is given for passing one subject. The exam is taken in four parts, at different times. When each person passes all four parts, a GED certificate is sent to them. If they get a poor score on the exam, they can prepare some more and retake it.



Student helper Tom Goodwin helps two GED participants with their evening assignment. The College helps high school dropouts prepare for their high school equivalency certificate exams.—Forumfoto

being given; most people learned about it by word-of-mouth.

There are four GED classes currently running in Franklin County. They are being given in Turners Falls, Shelburne Falls, Deerfield and Greenfield. The Greenfield class, which is being taught by Joyce Carlson, is the largest with sixty members.

Everyone taking the course uses a text entitled "High School Equivalency Examination" (GED', which is provided by the Franklin Community Action Corporation. This doubles as a textbook and workbook. It is divided into four sections:

Part I is a diagnostic test.

This is given to everyone on the first night of class and tests their level of achievement.

Everyone in the class has finished some phase of high school, from grade seven through eleven.

The second part consists of English usage; grammar, vocabulary, and spelling, and After attending one of their sessions, and talking to the people in the course, I'm sure that both the participants and teachers feel a good sense of accomplishment in what they are doing.

#### Financial Aid Now Available

Financial aid applications for the 1972-73 academic year are available in the student personnel office. Deadline for financial aid applications for all curently enrolled students is Friday, May 26, 1972.

Any student who wants to be considered for the College Work-Study Program, the Educational Opportunity Grant Program and-or the National Defense Student Loan Program should pick up a Financial Aid Application in Room 103 immediately.



FIRST BASEMAN LARRY HOSKINS fakes out an Amherst runner. The Red Barons dropped one and took one at Amherst. The teams standing now is 6 lost and 6 won. -Forumfoto.



JEAN KENTFIELD connects for a base hit in the game against Berkshire Community College. The Baronesses standing is 3 lost and 0 won. - Forumfoto

You Are Invited

to a joint meeting of the Engineering & Ecology

Clubs to hear a presentation on Water Diver-

sion projects in North Central Massachusetts by

Joan Ashwell and Robert Gray co-chairmen

Citizens' Review Board

Thursday, May 11

11:00 A.M.

Main Building Auditorium



CRAIG WALLWORK

#### Wallwork Loses Alternate Bid

Craig Wallwork, a twenty year old sophomore here, was recently defeated for alternate delegate to the Republican Convention. He is currently a town meeting member and is on the recreation commission. Wallwork also served on the town meeting and recreation commission last year. In March of '71 he missed being elected by 32 votes, though two months later he became a town meeting member because of a resignation.

Craig Wallwork was born in Greenfield and has lived in town all his life. He attended Greenfield High School and Curry attended college at College in Milton, Mass. He left Curry College after his first semester to run for town meeting member in Greenfield

while attending GCC. Wallwork works summers at and Yankee Atomic Power Plant. He will be going to A.I.C. in Springfield next fall. After he completes baccalaureate his program at A.I.C., he plans to go to the University Virginia's law school. He hopes to someday be a criminal

lawyer.

When did Craig Wallwork start his active involvement in politics? He answered that he began in the spring of '68, when he was a sophomore in high school. He was then doing for campaign presidential Democratic Eugene nomination Wallwork in his McCarthy. junior year of high school changed to the Republican party so he could do campaign work for Gerald Levitch who was seeking being elected town selectman. Levitch won the election.

Wallwork said that he does endorse Nixon for president. When asked why he changed from a Democrat endorsing McCarthy Eugene Republican endorsing Richard Nixon, Wallwork answered that idealistic views will not solve our nation's ills. He agrees with the two party system, but he does not feel he should be compelled to help someone of his party campaign. Wallwork that he will only support candidates, who have the same political views as he.

When asked if there are any issues that he felt strongly about concerning Greenfield, Wallwork answered that he wishes to have more industry in Greenfield and rent-price controls. He thinks that more industry would give jobs to people who needed them and rent-price controls, would help put a stop to the high cost of rent.

Wallwork said that the reason he ran for alternate delegate was because he thought he could represent the people of his party.



AERIAL PHOTO show the structural steel going up at the new campus - a sign that real progress is being made. -Forumfoto

## Work Speeds Up On New Campus

Your glazing is new and your plumbing's strange, But otherwise I perceive no change; And in less than a month, if you do as I bid, I'd learn you to build me a Pyramid! Prexy's memo to the contractor (after Kipling)

Now that spring has arrived, progress on building the new campus is stepping up, according to Charles Carter, director of physical plant for the College.

"The erection of structural steel and the pouring of concrete, now in progress, are the most critical stages of the building process," Carter says. "Once this work is completed, many more trades can move in and begin their work.'

According to President Turner, it will probably be 1974 before we will be able to move in to the new campus.



PRESIDENT TURNER and Dean Padgug flank O'Connell superintendent Norman Mathison as they inspect the structural steel at the new campus. Forum reporter Sharman Prouty takes notes. - Forumfoto.

## The Counseling Center A Place To Talk **West Building 2nd Floor** Room 2A & 2B

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Maybe We Can Help.

awaited. For those who still have not heard of WMPIRG, it is a s t u dent-run, student-funded organization, and aims to provide full-time representation in these areas of citizen-student concern to produce necessary and effective change.

By NATALIE JOY

WMPIRG, Western Massachusetts Public Interest

Research Group, has finally succeeded in obtaining 55 per

cent of the GCC student body's

endorsement. WMPIRG has

been petitioning since this fall,

so the achievement of obtaining

the majority of student signatures has been long

Western

WMPIRG Seeks Board Approval WMPIRG is now trying to receive the approval of colleges in the area. WMPIRG at GCC asking for faculty endorsement. They have a meeting with the Massachusetts Regional Board of Community Colleges sometime in May to ask for the Board's approval. This is necessary before WMPIRG can

> set up a facility on campus and ask for a four dollar fee from the students to put their organization into action.

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